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LAFAYETTE HISTORICAL DISPLAY

"Everything but the Kitchen Sink," a panorama of yesterday's cooking tools and home making helps, is the new Lafayette Historical Society's display at the Lafayette Federal Savings and Loan Ass'n. LandMarks Room, 3614 Mt. Diablo Blvd. In a true-to-life country kitchen scene, complete with oilcloth on the table and grandmother's cookbook open and ready for use, are included a welter of gadgets not only for cooking but for washing, ironing and house cleaning.

One of the highlights of the intriguing display is a Cole stove, kin to the Franklin stove and used for heating cottages and mansions alike. The ancient pantry is loaded with such bits of memorabilia as a Log Cabin syrup can, mason jars for homemade preserves, sturdy cooking iron ware, a popular corn stick maker and even a milk skimmer.

Also on display is one of the most interesting collections of old-time cookbooks ever assembled locally. The oldest of these books published in 1838, is titled "The Experienced American Housekeeper."

The array of home making mementoes, which will remain on display through November 10, was put together from contributions from Dr. and Mrs. William R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Al Medau, Mrs. Carlton Lowenberg, Mrs. Robert Ramm, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Schreiber, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Weiss, Mrs. Emil Anderson, Mrs. Dale Webster, Mrs. Fern P. Davis, Mr. Danny Boyle, Jr., Mr. John Finger, Mr. Timothy Finger, Mrs. Lloyd Holton, and Mrs. Richard Johnson.

Assisting Mrs. Wayne Merryman and the Historical Society exhibit committee in setting up the display were Mrs. Medau, Mrs. Toni Finger, and Mrs. Smith. Publicity chairman is Mrs. John Kimball.

LAFAYETTE FIRMS HELP PUBLICIZE OUR DISPLAYS AT THE LANDMARKS ROOM

Our thanks to Mr. Louis Repetto and Mr. Arthur DiGrazia for helping publicize our year-round displays at LandMarks Room. In their October statement to local residents, the Lafayette Garbage Disposal Service inserted a flyer describing the schedule of our current and future exhibits.

Our thanks to the Lafayette Federal Savings and Loan Ass'n. for their efforts in publicizing our displays. Flyers also were included in recent statements listing all historical exhibits through July 10, 1973.

Our thanks, also, to Mr. Bill Eames of Acalanes Pharmacy for giving us space in his building for storing our collection of artifacts and memorabilia so often used in exhibits and displays.

NEW APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Allan (Edith) Viguers has been appointed as Corresponding Secretary.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Tassell

RECENT GIFTS TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A rare old United States Geological Survey Map dated 1897 was presented recently by Mr. Hubbard Anderson. Of special interest on the map are the areas of Lafayette, Orinda, and Moraga as well as other sections of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties.

Papers pertaining to the first four years of Lafayette's incorporation were given by Councilman Robert Fisher. These important records on the history of today were accepted by the Board of Directors at the September meeting.

The Historical Society is grateful to Mr. Anderson and to Mr. Fisher for these valuable documents of the past and of the present day.

ORAL HISTORY SEMINAR

Mrs. John Helmich will be giving a one-session seminar on the techniques of interviewing. If interested, please write to Mrs. Helmich at 1019 Windsor Dr. and you will be notified after October 15 about the time and date of this seminar. Suggested reading is Willa Baum's Oral History for the Local Historical Society which is available at the county libraries and at the Lafayette Book Store.

CONFERENCE IN THE BAY AREA

Western Regional Conference, American Association of Museums, Oct. 17-21, 1972. For information write Oakland Museum, 1000 Oak St., Oakland 94607.

BOARD MEETING OF THE LAFAYETTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Tuesday October 24, 8 p.m., Willcuts residence, 1343 Martino Road, Lafayette.

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PLEASE NOTE! CHANGE IN DATE AND PLACE OF NOVEMBER MEETING! PLEASE NOTE!

COMBINED MEETING WITH LAFAYETTE, MORAGA, ORINDA HISTORICAL SOCIETIES
NEW DATE: Tuesday, November 14, 8 p.m.
NEW MEETING PLACE: Campolindo High School
HOST: Moraga Historical Society
SUBJECT: PLOTTING YOUR FAMILY TREE
SPEAKER: Mrs. Scott Rountree, former president of the California Genealogical Society

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